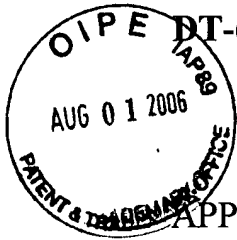


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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 1, 2006, in which the Examiner rejected claims 1, 2, 4, 9, 15 and 16 as being unpatentable over the prior art, and indicated the claims 3, 5, 8 and 10-14 would become allowable upon having been rewritten to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

The Examiner's indication of the allowability of claims 3, 5, 8 and 10-14 has been duly noted. However, applicants believe that rewriting claims 3, 5, 8 and 10-

. 14 in independent form is not necessary as they depend on an allowable claim (claim 1).

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: